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The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 provides for unprecedented levels of accountability and transparency, including measures to root out waste, inefficiency, and deceit in the administration and expenditure of Recovery Act funds. In my role as Recovery Act Inspector General, I have collaborated with the Western Federal Inspectors General Association and the United States Department of Justice to develop a comprehensive training aimed at preventing and detecting fraud.

To ensure that this important training is accessible to those administering Recovery Act funds throughout California, I am coordinating sessions in San Diego, Los Angeles, and San Francisco. I am encouraging the attendance of state departments, as well as sub-recipients, including counties, cities, local boards, agencies and other organizations administering Recovery Act funds. Please forward this invitation to such entities under your purview.

San Diego	Monday, September 14, 2009, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. State of California Office Building 1350 Front St., San Diego 92101
Los Angeles	Tuesday, September 15, 2009, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. City of Los Angeles - Office of the Controller 200 North Main St., Room 351A, Los Angeles 90012
San Francisco	Thursday, September 17, 2009, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Milton Marks Conference Center – lower level 455 Golden Gate Avenue, San Francisco 94102

Because fraud prevention and detection efforts must be integrated, appropriate participation would include each of the following categories: 1) executive management; 2) fiscal activities (accounting, auditing, grant management, contracting); and 3) programmatic operations. Please respond by September 4th to FraudTraining@recovery.ca.gov, specifying the name of attendees, represented organization, titles/job classifications, email addresses, and location preference.

Depending on the response, a second session may be added in the afternoon of the scheduled day. Please note that the facilities are wheelchair accessible, however, if you need additional disability accommodations, please indicate on your rsvp no less than 10 business days before the training.

Sincerely,

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